



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 7**

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Ms. Karen Herrington
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United States Fish and Wildlife Service
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Dear Ms. Herrington,

The United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 7 requests that the United States Fish and Wildlife Service review the enclosed biological evaluation for Missouri's revised water quality standards at 10 CSR 20-7.031. The BE provides the EPA's analysis of the potential effects of the Agency's action on threatened and endangered species and designated critical habitat to lakes and reservoirs that are greater than 10 acres throughout the State of Missouri, excluding the Big River Floodplain ecoregion.

The EPA requests that the USFWS provide a written response on whether the Service concurs with the Agency's determination in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement signed by the Service and the EPA regarding enhanced coordination under the Clean Water Act and the Endangered Species Act.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Catherine Wooster-Brown of my staff at (913) 551-7425 or by email at wooster-brown.catherine@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Beringer", is positioned above the typed name.

Mike Beringer, Chief
Environmental Data and Assessment Branch
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Enclosure



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